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SUBJECT:CONTRACT OF DESMOND SCOTT, SECRETARY OF IOC

REFS: A) PARIS 25558; B) BARNES-SANDVED PHONECON, 9/9

1. DEPT. STILL CONCERNED ABOUT BROADER IMPLICATIONS OF
OPPOSING M'BOW ON SCOTT'S EXTENSION AND WOULD APPRECIATE
PERM DEL'S FURTHER EVALUATION OF THIS QUESTION IN LIGHT OF
PROPOSED POSITION IN PARAS 2 AND 3 BELOW.

2. BASED ON INFO. DISCUSSED IN REF B, IT IS PROPOSED
THAT U.S. DEL. MAKE STRONG STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF EXTENDING
SCOTT'S CONTRACT FOR TWO YEARS (TIL OCTOBER 31, 1979) AT
PRIVATE SESSION OF EX BD ON OCTOBER 5 WHEN PERSONNEL ISSUE
IS DISCUSSED. U.S. IS CONCERNED BY NEED FOR CONTINUITY,
SINCE IOC IS ELECTING NEW CHAIRMAN THIS FALL (EXPECTED TO
BE FIRST LDC CHAIRMAN - DR. AYALA-CASTANARES OF MEXICO) AND
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IOC IS FACING TROUBLED FEW YEARS IN LIGHT OF CHANGING
REGIME FOR MARINE SCIENCE. IF SUBJECT AROSE AT EX BD
PRIOR TO PRIVATE SESSION ON PERSONNEL, U.S. DEL. WOULD ALSO
BE ASKED TO MAKE STATEMENT AT THAT TIME. U.S. WOULD NOT
RPT NOT TAKE LEAD ON THIS ITEM UNLESS NO OTHER COUNTRY
WERE WILLING TO DO SO.

3. NEW U.S. PERM REP. AND EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER WOULD ALSO BE ASKED TO RAISE THIS ISSUE, IF APPROPRIATE, WHEN THEY CALLED ON ADG FOR SCIENCE KADDOURA AND/OR DG M'BOW.

4. IN MEANTIME, PERM DEL. SHOULD CONTINUE TO TRY TO IDENTIFY ANOTHER COUNTRY TO TAKE THE LEAD, PREFERABLY A MODERATE LDC IF UK WILL NOT DO SO. SINCE MEXICAN REP. TO IOC (AYALA-CASTANARES) HAS INFORMED DEPT. THAT HE SUPPORTS SCOTT'S CONTINUATION, PERHAPS MEXICANS WOULD BE WILLING TO TAKE LEAD. PERM DEL. SHOULD ALSO CONTINUE DISCUSSIONS WITH OTHER COUNTRIES TO ENCOURAGE THEM TO SUPPORT SCOTT. VANCE

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